Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Winchester Lamp Plant GE

125 Apple Valley Road Winchester, VA 22602 Congressional District 10 EPA ID #: VAD070360219 Final Update

Current Progress at the Site

EPA has determined that no further action under the federal RCRA Corrective Action program is required at this time. A 45 day public comment period on the proposed decision extended from June 10 to July 26, 1999. No comments were received during that time. Therefore, EPA has issued a final Agency Determination that clean-up is complete at GE's Winchester Lamp Plant.

Only one area, a concrete pad used for storing drums of hazardous waste, was identified as potentially having a release at this facility. During a hazardous waste inspection, several overfilled drums were observed to be leaking waste material, but the waste was confined to the tops of the drums. In 1989, GE cleaned the concrete pad of any contamination. Soil sampling results in the area showed no detectable levels of contamination and Virginia's Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) provided approval of the "clean closure" certification for the unit on November 4, 1998. "Clean closure" is a term that is used to define the process of completely removing all waste that was treated, stored, or disposed in a hazardous waste unit.

One other area of concern was the site of two former underground fuel tanks. These tanks were removed and GE sampled the soil and groundwater in the area to determine if there had been a release. No contamination was found and the site was deemed "cleaned closed" by VDEQ Underground Storage Tank Program. There were no documented releases associated with this area.

There is no further corrective action required at the GE Winchester Lamp Plant at this time.

Site Description

The GE Winchester Lamp Plant is located about 3 miles south of Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia and the site is situated on a 125 acre parcel of land. The facility began operation in 1975 and is currently producing household incandescent light bulbs under its own name and private brand names. The major components of the light bulb are produced at other facilities and shipped to Winchester Lamp Plant for assembly.

Site Responsibility

RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility were being conducted under the direction of Region 3 EPA with assistance from the State.

Contaminants

There are no documented releases at this facility.

Community Interaction

A public notice was issued regarding the public comment period which ended on July 26, 1999.

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